

2013 Western States & Provinces 10th Biennial Deer & Elk Workshop

Missoula Holiday Inn Downtown Missoula, Montana May 6-9, 2013

Call For State and Provincial Deer & Elk Status Reports

We are asking representatives from each state and province to provide updates on the status of deer and elk populations and management in their state or province. Speakers should plan for a 25 minute, "10,000-foot" overview presentation with an additional 5 minutes for questions and answers. Please inquire about audio-visual aids other than PowerPoint presentation equipment if needed. The following points are intended to help frame your presentation.

- 1. What is the current status of deer and elk populations in your state relative to the last 10, 20 or more years? Do you have major geographic variation in trends?
- 2. What methods do you employ to measure the trends in populations of deer and elk? Aerial trend counts, ground surveys, population estimates, harvest information, check stations, other?
- 3. What are the harvest trends for deer and elk over the last 10-20 years in your state or province?
- 4. How do you measure deer and elk harvest? Is harvest reporting mandatory, voluntary, or do you use survey sampling to estimate trends?
- 5. Please provide a brief summary of your management program, including how much management is oriented toward trophy harvest and how much management is oriented toward providing hunter opportunity.
- 6. Are your management decisions guided by specific objectives related to age, antler growth, hunter numbers, total harvest, buck/bull harvest, buck:doe or bull:cow ratios, or some other metric?
- 7. If your management program has recently evolved in a major way, please provide a short summary of the history, or social or biological climate, that led to the changes.
- 8. Can you identify one or two major issues facing managers in your state or province relative to managing deer and elk?

We are asking that each presenter provide a brief abstract of their presentation so that we can print them in an abstract booklet. Please submit abstracts by April 1, 2013 to Jay Newell (see more information below).



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Abstracts for Deer and Elk Status Updates

The abstract you submit will be the final one used in the printed abstract booklet, which will be available at the workshop.

Submission deadline: April 1, 2013.

Submitting abstracts

Abstracts must be submitted electronically, preferably by email, by April 1, 2013 to: Jay Newell
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If you have submitted an abstract and have not received a response from Jay Newell confirming receipt of your abstract, please submit it again.

Abstract Guidelines

In Microsoft Word format, please type the title in capital letters and bold font. List all authors in capitals using first and last names, followed by their affiliation, address, and contact information in standard letters. Abstracts are restricted to 250 words and should summarize findings. Please provide the name of the presenter immediately after the abstract. A format example is provided below. The printed abstract booklet will be available at the workshop.

Format example:

STATUS OF DEER AND ELK POPULATIONS IN MONTANA, 2000-2013

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Abstract. Populations of deer and elk.....

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